

According to an official Marine Corps history, the program was highly successful. Col. Corson was praised by his superiors for his ability to relate to Vietnamese villagers and win their confidence.

In 1967, when he returned to the United States, he received another sensitive assignment in Washington, becoming deputy director of the Southeast Asia Intelligence Force in the office of the assistant secretary of defense.

But by that time he was convinced that U.S. policies in Vietnam were doomed and he decided to write a book.

The book, "The Betrayal," argued that the Saigon government supported by Washington was corrupt and incompetent and that it was perceived by ordinary Vietnamese as being as much of a threat to their well-being as the communists. Unless the United States devised policies to take this into account, the book said, the war would be lost and American servicemen would have died in vain.

Publication was set for July 1, 1968, by W.W. Norton and Co. Inc., a month after Col. Corson was scheduled to retire from the service.

This brought into play Marine Corps regulation that required officers on active duty to submit statements on public policy to review before making them public. Col. Corson claimed that this did not apply to him because the book would not go on sale until after he had become a civilian.

Marine Corps officials responded by having his retirement held up and by taking steps to convene a general court-martial. These plans were dropped on the grounds that they would only serve to draw attention to the book. Col. Corson's retirement went through a month later than originally scheduled.

Col. Corson later taught history at Howard University for a year and then wrote several books on national security issues, including "Promise or Peril," "Consequences of Failure," "The Armies of Ignorance" and "The New KGB" with Robert T. Crowley.

He also wrote a column on veterans affairs for Penthouse magazine for several years and was the publication's Washington editor.

William Raymond Corson was born in Chicago on Sept. 25, 1925. He attended the University of Chicago, but left in 1943 to enlist in the Marine Corps during World War II. After the war, he graduated from the University of Miami, where he also received a master's degree in business and economics. He later received a doctorate in economics at American University.

In 1949, Col. Corson was commissioned in the Marine Corps. He served in the Korean War in 1952. From 1953 to 1955, he was a student in the Chinese language course at the Naval Intelligence School in Washington. From 1964 to 1966, he taught a course on communism and revolutionary war at the U.S. Naval Academy.

His military decorations included the Navy Commendation Medal with combat "V".

Col. Corson, a resident of Potomac, was an elder and clerk of session at Harmon Presbyterian Church in Bethesda.

His marriage to Charlotte Corson ended in divorce.

Survivors include his wife, Judith C. Corson, and their three children, Adam, Zachary and Andrew, all of Potomac; two children from his first marriage, Christopher Corson of Silver Spring and David Corson of Greenville, S.C.; and five grandchildren.●

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time and placed on the calendar:

S. 3057. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement In-

come Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage.

S. 3058. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, September 18, 2000, he presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2869. An act to protect religious liberty, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-10750. A communication from the Chairman of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10751. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of additions to the procurement list received on September 12, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10752. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of the D.C. Act 13-398, entitled "Sacred Heart Way, N.W., Designation Act of 2000" adopted by the Council on July 11, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10753. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of the D.C. Act 13-434, entitled "Uniform Commercial Code Secured Transactions Revision Act of 2000" adopted by the Council on July 11, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10754. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of the D.C. Act 13-435, entitled "Approval of the Application for Transfer of Control of District Cablevision Limited Partnership from Tele-Communications, Inc., to AT&T Corp. Act of 2000" adopted by the Council on July 11, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10755. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of the D.C. Act 13-398, entitled "Securities Act of 2000" adopted by the Council on July 11, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10756. A communication from the Director of the Office of Equal Rights, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance" (RIN3067-AC71) received on September 5, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10757. A communication from the Inland Waterways Users Board Chairman,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2000 Annual Report of the Inland Waterways Users Board; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10758. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to state truck weight limits; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10759. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules entitled "Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL #6870-1) and "Stay of the Eight-Hour Portion of the Findings of Significant Contribution and Rulemaking for Purposes of Reducing Interstate Ozone Transport" (FRL #6869-8) received on September 12, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10760. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of lease prospectuses relative to the Capital Investment Leasing Program for fiscal year 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10761. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of three rules entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans: Revision to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) Administrative Code for the Air Pollution Control Program" (FRL #6872-4), "Approval and Promulgation of the Implementation Plan for the Shelby County, Tennessee Lead Nonattainment Area" (FRL #6872-2), and "Technical Assistance Grant Program" (FRL #6872-1) received on September 14, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10762. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two items; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10763. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the endocrine disruptor screening program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10764. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Labor, transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Twenty-One Million Children's Health: Our Shared Responsibility"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10765. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the operations of the office of workers' compensation programs for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10766. A communication from the General Counsel of the Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations" received on September 14, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10767. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Crime Control Items: Revisions to the Commerce Control List" received on September 5, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.